REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Application Number	: 10/542,392	Confirmation No. 3091
Filing Date	: July 15, 2005	
Inventor(s)	: Mori, Yuichi, et al.	
Title	: PLANT-CULTIVATING DEVICE AND PLANT-CULTIVATING METHOD	
Group Art Unit	: 3643	
Examiner Name	: Hayes, Kristen C.	
Docket No.	: 55610/I392	Date: February 20, 2009

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

This application is **not** an application of the kind specified in 37 CFR § 1.114(e).

1. THE STATUS OF THE APPLICATION IS AS FOLLOWS:
    a. __X__ Pending (no review proceedings active)
        (1) __X__ An Action was mailed by the Office on August 21, 2008, as to which no appeal under 37 CFR § 1.191 has been filed and
            _____ a response under 37 CFR § 1.116 was mailed on
                _____ via Express Mail
                _____ with certificate of mailing under 37 CFR § 1.8
            __X__ that Action was a Final Rejection, the finality of which is to be withdrawn by this Request
            _____ an appeal or civil action under 35 U.S.C. 141,145 or 146 has been terminated
        (2) _____ Allowed: the Notice of Allowance was mailed by the Office on
            _____ the Issue Fee has not been paid
            _____ the Issue Fee has been paid **and** a petition under 37 CFR §. 1.313 was granted on
    b. _____ Pending (with review proceeding active)

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An appeal under 37 CFR § 1.191 has been filed. **Applicant(s) hereby withdraw that appeal and request reopening of the prosecution of the application.**

2. SUBMISSION(S) REQUIRED (check at least one)
   a. Previously submitted
      ____ Consider the amendments/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on
      ____ Consider the arguments in the Appeal or Reply Brief previously filed on
      ____ Other:
   b. Enclosed
      _X_ Amendment/Reply
      ____ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
      ____ Information Disclosure Statement
      ____ Documents under 37 CFR § 1.48
      _X_ Petition for Extension of Time
      ____ Other:

The Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned promptly following receipt and initial review of the application in light of the Submissions(s) for the conduct of, or the scheduling of, a telephone interview in the application.

Please direct all correspondence to **CUSTOMER NUMBER 23363**. Direct telephone calls to 626/795-9900, **CHRISTIE, PARKER & HALE, LLP, P.O. Box 7068, Pasadena, CA 91109-7068.**

Respectfully submitted,

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
FEE CALCULATION SHEET

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PART I — BASIC FEE			
BASIC FEE	Small Entity $405.00	Large Entity $810.00	$405.00

PART II — ADDITIONAL CLAIMS (compared to application before RCE)						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra Claims	Small Entity Rate	Large Entity Rate	FEE
Total Claims	12	*20		x $26.00	x $52.00	
Independent Claims	3	**3		x $110.00	x $220.00	
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim				$195.00	$390.00	
TOTAL CLAIMS FEE						$
List Independent Claims: 1, 6, and 7						
* IF THE "HIGHEST NUMBER OF TOTAL CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR" IS LESS THAN 20, WRITE "20" IN THIS SPACE. ** IF THE HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR IS 3 OR LESS, WRITE "3" IN THIS SPACE.						

1. FEES *(The RCE fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.)*

   a. Amount (total from Fee Calculation Sheet)
   Please charge our Deposit Account No. 03-1728 for the filing fee of $405.00 as indicated above.

   b. __X__ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required for this transaction to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account.

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